

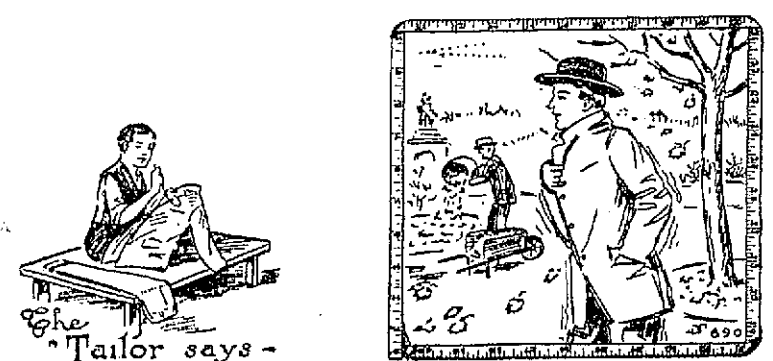


A cold house in the morning.
The children whimpering
and chilly.
Next thing—the doctor.
Why take this chance?



will maintain an even temperature in your home day and night. The greatest floor heater known.
Burns soft coal—lignite—hard coal—or wood.
The fire is never out from fall till spring in this great heater and fuel saver.
It will cut your fuel bill in half.
Come in and see it. It is worth your while.

Nash Hardware Co. See the name "Cole's" on the feed door of each stove. None genuine without it.



IT BEHOVES ALL MANKIND TO GET INTO THEIR NEW FALL SUITS!
It Already Begins to Feel Chilly Around The Edges
Step in and look over our line of Fall Woolens. You'll find warm, substantial fabrics and weaves, in the season's colors and shades, pleasing to particular dressers.
Yours truly,
LELOFF, The Tailor,
Maker of Guaranteed Clothes
Grand Ave., West Side, Grand Rapids, Wisconsin.

Johnson & Hill Co., Grocery Dept.

BIG OCTOBER SALE. The last eight days of October, commencing Thursday the 23rd and closing Friday evening, Oct. 31st. Listen to what we have to offer. Every item is money saved for you. A few specials for this grocery sale.

Sugar, 100 pound sack \$4.87
Sugar, 11 lbs. for 49c, with \$2.00 worth of other groceries. (Flour, feed, butter, eggs and sugar not included.)
Flour, 1 lb. can good baking powder free with 49 lbs. Victoria at \$1.30
Blizzard flour \$1.19
Syrup, 10 lb. pails (Clover Leaf), per pail 37c
Jelly, 10 lb. pails, per pail 48c
Tobacco, smoking Annox brand, 14 oz. 17c, 7 oz. 8c
Smoked shoulders, here is the best and cheapest meat on the market today, get some the lb. 12c
Yankee Rolled Oats, large package 19c
Quaker Korn Krisp, the package 5c
Cottage Rolled Oats sterilized, regular 15c package now 10c

Candy Bargains
Chocolate candy, the pound 13c
Good mixed candy, the pound 7c
Jelly Bean candy, the pound 10c
Caramel candy wrapped, the pound 9c
Starch, Argo and Calumet, regular 5c a package, each 3c
Tea, regular 40c uncolored Jap Tea, at this sale 29c
Horse Shoe brand tea, once used always use it the lb. 39c
Put up in air tight packages 1/2 lb. and 1 lb.
Coffee, try our bargain brand, the pound 15c
Soru coffee still has the lead of the 25c coffee, try it and you will be convinced.
Baking Powder, Defiance brand, 5 lb. cans 48c
Grandmas Washing Powder, large size and 1 bar Pearl toilet soap, the two for 17c
Kirk's Toilet Soap, all regular 5c cakes at the sale 3c
Scrubbing brush, a good one, each 6c
Clothes Lines, best size, each 6c
New Holland Herring, per keg 73c
Swift's Pride Cleanser, the regular 10c cans 6c
Shinola Shoe Blackening, regular 10c boxes 6c
Noodles and Vermicelli, 10 lb. packages, per pkg. 65c
Miller's Lasting Cold Water Starch, and 1 package washing compound worth 12c, at this sale 8c
Rice, regular 5c grade, at this sale 5 lbs. for 35c

CANNED GOODS
Salmon, 8c per can, the dozen 98c
Pears, large size per can 8c, 6 cans 49c
Kidney Beans per can 8c, 6 cans 49c
Corn, regular 10c grade 8c, 8 cans 45c
Peas, regular 12c grade 10c, 6 cans 57c
Dried Apples, the pound 9c
Cookies, good assortment, the pound 9c
Raisins, a winner at per package 6c
We have many articles on sale at saving prices not mentioned here.

WANT COLUMN

TO EXCHANGE.—We have several parties in Fond du Lac and Milwaukee who have city property they wish to exchange for Central Wisconsin farms. For particulars inquire of M. L. Ginsburg, corner Vine and Second Sts.

FOR SALE.—Good driving horse, cheap. Inquire Mrs. F. P. Daly, 21p.

WANTED.—A fine room house or a flat. Address F. P. M. 231 4th Ave. South, City.

For Sale.—One practically new hard coal burner. Inquire at this office or phone 732. C. Smith, 860 Wylie St.

LOST.—A pocket bearing name Evelyn. Finder please leave at this office.

FOR SALE OR TRADE.—Several horses, cows and farm machinery and about 50,000 feet of lumber. Will exchange for farm land or city property. M. L. Ginsburg, corner Vine and Second St.

MANY TEACHERS ARE TO BE THERE

Wausau Record.—Between seven and eight hundred teachers of Marathon and adjacent counties will make Wausau their mecca Friday and Saturday. The occasion is the first annual meeting of the Central Wisconsin Teachers' association and already it is practically assured that the gathering will be one of the greatest of its kind and as a sectional meeting will rank with any other educational gathering in the state. The program is rich and full of practical helps for teachers in every line from the rural school instructor to the teacher of the grades, the high and the training schools.

Some of the best known and most prominent schoolmen of the country will appear. F. J. Gould, of London, England, demonstrator for the English Moral Educational league, said to be the foremost living expert in the great field of moral instruction, is already in the city. Dr. George E. Vincent, president of the University of Minnesota, and Dr. Herbert L. Willett, of the University of Chicago, are two other prominent and successful speakers who will be on the program.

Hotel and other reservations are already being made by teachers who will attend. Principal Ira Painter of the high school is attending to the rooming accommodations for the teachers.

Central Wisconsin is to have a teachers' association for the first time in its history and indications at present are that the new organization fostered by Supl. Tobey of this city will be fully as strong and as helpful as are the associations of the other sections of the state. The preliminary plans as worked out by the committee which gathered at Stevens Point early last spring to begin the first work of organization of the new body, are working smoothly and no hitch of the smallest nature has occurred to cause disappointment along a single line.

Teachers will begin to arrive in the city on Thursday evening and until the following night a continued influx is looked for by local teachers and others.

The meeting here has a territory wherein are nearly eighteen hundred teachers to draw from. Over one-third of these are expected here to join the new association and place it on a substantial footing.

MARSHFIELD TEAM WAS EASY PICKING

Some misinformed individual told Marshfield football boys that they were pretty nifty little players, and they came down here last Saturday with the expectation of tying a can to the local team, but they were sadly disappointed.

The score was 52 to 0 in favor of Grand Rapids, and if our boys had trained for a marathon instead of a football game, it might have been more. However, this was enough to convince everybody concerned that the Marshfield bunch was mistaken when they absorbed the idea that they were going to do things to the local team, and they went home a much wiser bunch than they were when they struck town.

The local boys put up a good consistent game, with team work that made steady advances in every play that was made. They bucked the line, went around the end, and made forward passes, and got away with all of them in a manner that was calculated to show their advances that there were some things to the game that they had not figured on.

The Marshfield boys had apparently expected to make most of their advances on the forward pass, and while they did manage to work it to success a few times, they did not make enough gain in this way to make it at all scary for the home team at any time. The visitors seemed to be decidedly deficient in defensive work, and the consequence was that whenever our boys got the ball they carried it over for a count.

It was a very decided victory and the locals are to be congratulated on having added another victory to their list this year.

Mrs. W. G. Merrill is at LaSalle, Ill., this week visiting with a sister.

Dr. K. W. Dodge of Marshfield is in the city today, being called here on professional business.

Mrs. Nate Anderson and Miss Clara Berg spent Sunday at Merrill, the guests of Miss Mayne Muringaugh.

Lola, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rolland Payne of the South Side, submitted to an operation last week for the removal of adenoids.

Mrs. Ida Waters of Plainfield submitted to an operation at River View hospital this morning. Mrs. Waters is a sister to Mrs. M. O. Potter of this city.

James Gaynor of Cranmoor was one of the pleasant callers at the Tribune office on Wednesday while in the city on business. Mr. Gaynor reports that the crop of cranberries on their marsh this year is considerable less than it was last year and only about half what would be considered a normal crop.

WANTED.—Ten boys over 16 years old to work in box factory. Inquire E. W. Ellis Lumber Co. office.

FOR SALE.—Bar fixtures, pool table, chairs and outfit for saloon. Must be sold at once. Cheap. J. R. Ragan, Administrator of the estate of Gust Braun, deceased.

The French war office is training eagles to attack possible enemies in aeroplanes. German aviators will now take lessons in swatting eagles.

Gibbs is very evident that your wife has a mind of her own.
Dibs—You think so? Well; so do I, but she keeps telling me that her mind is made up.—Baltimore Sun.

Special! Special!

One Set of Teaspoons FREE with every package of Corn Flakes bought at our store. Can you beat it? Hurry, they are going fast!

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BIJOU THEATRE

Monday and Tuesday, October 27 and 28

Come and see 4000 feet of Popular Films and hear **CARL MINKLEY** tell what he and other Social Democrats did in the last legislature. Hear him speak at 8:15 Monday evening, in English, and at the same time Tuesday evening, in German.

Show Starts at 7:15

and you can enjoy pictures before or after the lecture for the usual admission of 10c.

Do Not Miss This, you will hear something worth while.

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FIRST CONCERT FOR BAND PROVES TO BE A GOOD ONE

The entertainment at the opera house on Monday evening for the benefit of the band was greeted by a good sized audience in spite of the bad weather that prevailed all day and that evening. The three artists on the program were Miss Margaret Austin, violinist, Mrs. M. M. Lawing, soprano, and Miss Nellie Woolman, cellist. The music produced by these people was of a high class, and notwithstanding that we had here just before them one of the best aggregations of musicians that has ever visited the city, they gave universal satisfaction. If the other numbers of the course prove to be as good as this one the entire series will be of exceptional merit.

EXAMINATION FOR RURAL CARRIERS

The United States Civil Service Commission announced an examination at Marshfield and Grand Rapids on November 22 as a result of which it is expected to make certification to fill a vacancy in the position of rural carrier at Grand Rapids, Wisconsin, and other vacancies as they may occur on rural routes at post offices in the above named county, unless it is found to be in the interest of the service to cancel the examination.

Another reform that was inaugurated was to charge the city up with the hydrant rental as well as the water used in the public places about where heretofore it has been allowed to run without anybody paying for it. The hydrant rental is a matter that the Tribune took up a number of years ago, urging that the city be charged up with and made to pay for this convenience, but which the city officials thought was merely a matter of red tape, making the excuse that if there was any shortage that the public had to pay it anyway, and that if it was charged up it would only be taking money out of one pocket and putting it in another.

While this sounded like the truth, it was the wrong way of doing business just the same, as has been demonstrated by the commission requiring the change. Heretofore, when there was a shortage in the water receipts, that is when the receipts were not enough to pay the operating expenses of the plant, nobody knew whether it was because the private users were not paying enough for their water, or whether the shortage came about from what the city was using. In fact there was nothing of a business character on which to base things.

Heretofore the city will be charged up with the rate of \$5.00 per hydrant for rental, which will amount to more than \$500.00 per month, or more than six thousand dollars per year, and which is a shortage now, with meters all over the city, it will be an easy matter to adjust the rates on an equitable basis.

Heretofore the water users of the city, provided the plant was on a paying basis, not only paid for the water he was using, but he, collectively also paid for the entire fire protection of the city, while the man who owned a dozen houses, who might not be using any water, paid nothing at all for fire protection, a scheme that was decidedly unjust to all concerned.

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FOURTEEN MILE CREEK

A slight snowstorm visited these parts Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Winegard departed Monday for Stevens Point where they will visit their daughter, Mrs. M. Bates and from there will go to Ladysmith to visit their daughter, Mrs. Roy Bates and will also visit old friends at Brantwood.

Miss Inga Severson commenced her school Monday in District No. 5, after a two weeks vacation.

Louis Weller and three boys helped Robert Reid dig potatoes last week. Mrs. Edwin Brown is entertaining her brother Harry Smith this week.

C. E. Duck was a Grand Rapids shopper Saturday.

Howard Brown and wife are working for Robert Reid.

Clyde Winegard, who has been working at Hollandale has come home to see after things while his folks are away.

Clyde Wolcott, who has been working at Spomer, Minn., has returned home.

Robert Reid has got the masons there this week putting up a fine new barn.

Arthur Potts who has been at the hospital at Grand Rapids has returned home and is getting along as well as can be expected.

Charley Brown who has been working over near Hancock has returned home.

SOUTH RUDOLPH

Miss Hulda and Hannah Korstin have been visiting with their cousin near Daney for the past week.

Walter Foot and family were visiting at the Wm. Kuter home Sunday.

Miss Marion Johnson came home Sunday evening on the nine o'clock train from Junction City, where she has been visiting friends for a week past.

Rudolph was visited last Monday, all day with quite a severe snow storm which cooled off the air to some extent.

Word was received the other day that out in Montana there is plenty of snow on the mountains, but they are digging potatoes in the valleys.

And just across the United States, in Pennsylvania they have experienced only a couple of cool days so far as all the rest have been warm and pleasant and the corn crop is rather heavy going all the way from 150 to 200 bushels to the acre and out at Nebraska the corn yield is about 4 bushels to the acre.

Farmer Wayback (starting home from the station) Please, ma'am, do you want a little tea?
Fair Boarder.—Sir!
Farmer Wayback.—Oh, I don't mean to be curious. Only this road is a little rough, and of your teeth ain't good and fast you'd better put 'em in your pocket.—Spokesman Review.

WATERWORKS BOOKS ARE OVERHAULED

Messrs. Paulson and Ryan of the Wisconsin Rate Commission spent several days in this city last week working on the waterworks books and putting them in such shape that a report can be submitted when called for that will conform with the requirements of that body.

The accounts were found to be all right as it was expected they would be, the only trouble being that the system of bookkeeping in the office has never been of such a nature that it was possible to make a detailed report of the money taken in and expended.

The commission requires not only that the money that is expended be accounted for, but that the report tell how much of each man's time is expended on the different branches of the department. This takes a little more routine than was necessary heretofore, but there is no question but what it will be more satisfactory in the end to not only the commission, but also the citizens of Grand Rapids.

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We are bargain leaders at all times in suits, overcoats, sheepskin coats, Mackinaws, sweaters, jackets, men's furnishings and shoes. Buy your winter wardrobe here and save money on every purchase.

Special. \$5.50 corduroy coats, sheepskin lined with large sheepskin collar. Special for Saturday \$4.95.

THE LEADER. The White Corner. Our motto: "Quick Sales, Small Profits."

Across from Wood County National Bank, east side.

Card of Thanks. We wish to thank those kind neighbors and friends who so thoughtfully extended their sympathy and assistance during the illness and after the death of our husband and father.

Mrs. E. V. Baldwin and Children.

A visit to the tropics is interesting, but mainly it is an education in cold storage foods shipped from the states.

FIRST TOUCH OF WINTER COMES OCTOBER 20th

The first real snowstorm of the season struck this section on Monday, October 20th, about a month earlier than is customary, and about three months earlier than most people care to have it. Snow fell steadily all day, and while much of it melted in the fore part of the day, toward evening the weather turned cold enough so that there were several inches of the beautiful on the ground, and Tuesday morning it looked like sure enough winter, with mercury about twenty above. It warmed up on Tuesday, however, and took the snow off again. Now it is in order for some old resident to come forward and tell us of a time that beat this all hollow.

NEW COMMISSION CO. ORGANIZED

A new commission company has been organized in this city within the past few weeks, which will be known as the McKeecher & Rossier company. The new concern has been organized with a capital of \$15,000, and will do a general transfer and commission business.

Rossier Dan McKeecher and E. C. Rossier, as indicated by the name, T. E. Mullen is also interested in the company, all three of which gentlemen have had plenty of experience in the business line, and will no doubt make a success of the venture from the start.

The company has leased ground from the St. Paul railroad company where the old planing mill of the Kellogg Bros. Lumber company now stands, and it is the intention to erect a building there the coming spring which will be 40 x 100, with a basement under the whole building. This will be used as a transfer station and warehouse, and it is probable that later on other buildings will be erected as needed. The new company expected to get the basement for their new building in this fall but were unable to do so on account of not being able to get possession of the ground in time.

However, they will engage in business in a small way this fall and winter, and as soon as the weather permits in the spring, hope to get started on their new building. All the men interested in the company are well and favorably known here and the new concern starts out under the most favorable circumstances.

There is also one fact here that is enlightening the plan of changing to a commission form of government, and this is another matter that may be up for consideration before long.

ANNUAL MEETING WELL ATTENDED

The annual meeting of the Parental association was held at the Lincoln high school last Friday evening, and it was a pleasure for those interested to note the good attendance and the interest that was taken in the regular business of the association.

President Gibson gave an address of some length, reviewing the work of the past year and telling of some of the things that it was hoped to accomplish during the coming year. His talk was given in his usual happy style and was thoroughly enjoyed by those present.

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Officers were elected for the ensuing year as follows:

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Vice President—Gay O. Babcock.
Secretary—Miss Ella Hasbrouck.
Treasurer—Mrs. D. D. Conway.

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Death of Wm. Whitlock

The remains of William Whitlock were brought to this city last week and on Saturday were interred in Forest Hill cemetery on Saturday, Rev. H. C. Logan of the M. E. church conducting the services.

Mr. Whitlock was one of the old residents of Grand Rapids, but went to St. Paul some time ago where he was employed on the railroad, and met his death while engaged in doing some car repair work, being at work under a car when some part of it fell on him and crushed him.

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The Woman From the Sea

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Gratitude Gajore.
"What's this one hour's overtime, Bill?" said the master of the mill, when settling up his wages on Satur-

Why last Thursday I sent you up to house to help shake the carpets. I know you got off at six sharp." True, boss; but your missus gave 'ari a pie to take home, and that ere hour is for carryin' the dish

PROMINENT MEN TO ADDRESS:

... resign, they will be removed from office by the commission. The commission refused to make public the names of the five dismissed commissioners. An examination will be held by the state commission in each of the counties for candidates for

William's Hardware company, Richmond; capital, \$25,000; in-
sors, Tena M. Dinsmore, Har-
William Francis A. Henry and

TORTURED FORTY DAYS

Greenville, Pa.—Mrs. Mary Everett, an aged resident, awoke from a trance to find the family tearfully arranging with an undertaker for her funeral.



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re in the translation, for any super-
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Some persons who set courses of
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very texture of English literature.

"Q" detects the influence of the Bible
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ton, in St. Thomas, Browne, in John

Quiller Couch say "It is in everything
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SECRET SERVICE

BEING THE HAPPENINGS OF A NIGHT
IN RICHMOND IN THE SPRING OF 1865

THE PLAY BY

WILLIAM GILLETTE;

BY CYRUS TOWNSEND BRADY

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SYNOPSIS.

Mrs. Varney, wife of a Confederate general, has been wounded and is dying from wounds. She is being nursed by her daughter, Miss Varney, who is a nurse. The play is a story of the life of a Confederate general, who is a secret service agent. The play is a story of the life of a Confederate general, who is a secret service agent. The play is a story of the life of a Confederate general, who is a secret service agent.

CHAPTER XIV.

The Call of the Key.
This astonishing denouement fairly paralyzed Arrelsford. With a daring and ability for which he had not given Thorne credit, and which was totally unexpected, although he had heard of his previous career might have given him some warning, the tables had been turned upon him by a man whom he confidently fancied he had entrapped beyond possibility of escape!

His amazement held him speechless for a moment, but his natural resourcefulness came back to him with his returning presence of mind. He knew the utility of an attempt to struggle with his captors, he therefore decided to try to reason with them.

"Sergeant," he began, quietly enough, "my orders are—"

But Thorne would not let him continue. Having gained the advantage he was determined to keep it to the end and for that purpose he followed up his first blow, ruthlessly pressing his charge hard.

"Damn your orders!" he interrupted furiously. "You haven't got orders."

"Get his gun away, he'll hurt somebody."

"To shoot up everybody you see in this office, have you?"

"This was too much for Arrelsford, and he made a desperate plunge forward to get at Thorne, who shook his wounded wrist in the secret service agent's face. The soldiers held him tightly, however, and Thorne continued hotly:

"Get his gun away, sergeant; he'll hurt somebody."

"While the soldiers—who appeared to entertain no doubt and to have no hesitancy whatever about obeying Thorne's orders, the latter evidently the military man of the two and his voice and bearing, to say nothing of his uniform, telling heavily against a civilian like Arrelsford—were taking the revolver out of his hands, Thorne once more turned to the sergeant, who was up and he would stand in the room before the Confederate government or its army if necessary.

Arrelsford burst out in a last vain attempt to stop him:

"Listen to me, sergeant," he pleaded desperately. "I'm going to send out a telegram and—"

"That's all," he said, "gruffly said the sergeant of the guard, shaking his fist in Arrelsford's face. "What is it all about, captain?"

"All about? I haven't the slightest idea. He says he's coming from some of the most important official dispatches here and he began by letting off his gun at me. Crazy lunatic, I think."

"It's a lie!" said Arrelsford furiously. "Let me speak—I will prove—"

"Here!" said the sergeant of the guard, "that's all. What shall I do with him, captain?"

"I don't care a damn what you do with him. Get him out of here, that's all I want."

"Very well, sir. Are you much hurt?"

"Oh, no. He did up one hand, but I can get along with the other all right."

"Stop him!" cried Arrelsford, fully divining that Thorne intended to send the message. "He's sending a telegram."

"He thought came to him," said Miss Varney, she saw him—ask Miss Varney."

But the old sergeant of the guard paid no attention whatever to his frantic appeals.

"Here, fall in there!" he said. "We'll get him out, captain. Have you got the key?"

"Struggling furiously the squad of soldiers forced Arrelsford to the door. Thorne paid absolutely no attention to them; he had forgotten their presence. Like his attention, his mind and heart were on their key again. But he was faced to meet with still another interruption.

"Halt there!" cried a sharp voice from the hall, just as the group reached the door.

"Halt! Left face!" cried the sergeant in turn, recognizing that here was a superior whom it were well to obey without question or hesitation.

"Here is General Randolph," said the voice outside, giving the name of one of the high officers of the Richmond garrison.

"Present arms!" cried the sergeant of the guard as General Randolph appeared in the doorway.

Following him were some officers of his staff and by his side was the imposing figure of Miss Caroline Mitford. The humiliation and indignation had vanished from her bearing which was one of unmitigated triumph. She threw a glance at Arrelsford which made him feel that young man. The general entered the room and stepped before the secret service agent, who stood in front of the guard, although he had been released by the men.

"What's all this about?" he asked peremptorily.

Although he knew that something important was transpiring, and that the newcomer was a man of rank, Thorne never turned his head. At whatever cost, he realized he must get the telegram off, and from the look of things it appeared that his only chance lay in the room and there. He did not care if the president of the Confederate States of America were there in person, his mind and soul were on the order. He was frantically calling the attention of the room and joined the group in the hall, and he had the doctored article in which he had pasted the secretary's signature, spread out on the table before him.

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